

bonds thereof for the purpose of raising funds with which to refund such indebtedness, without first submitting the question whether such bonds shall be issued to the voters of such unorganized territory, provided such unorganized territory shall not be subjected at any one time to a bonded indebtedness in excess of five per cent of the assessed valuation thereof. Such bonds shall bear interest at the rate of not to exceed six per cent per annum, shall run for not to exceed fifteen years, and shall not be sold for less than par and accrued interest.

**Sec. 2. Tax levy ordered.**—Every county board of education for unorganized territory issuing bonds under the authority of this act is hereby required to annually levy taxes upon all the taxable property in such unorganized territory, sufficient to pay the interest on such bonds and to provide a sinking fund for the payment of the principal of such bonds at maturity.

**Sec. 3.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 15, 1919.

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CHAPTER 256—S. F. No. 872.

*An act providing for the payment of loss or damage by fire or tornado to state property, requiring same to be kept safe from fire loss, and repealing certain laws inconsistent herewith.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota.

**Section 1. Public funds not to be expended for insurance on state property, except Stillwater prison.**—No public funds shall be expended on account of any insurance upon state property against loss or damage by fire or tornado, nor shall any state officer or board contract for or incur any indebtedness against the state on account of any such insurance, except that the state board of control is authorized in its discretion to insure the state of Minnesota against loss by fire or tornado to the state prison at Stillwater, or the contents thereof, in any insurance companies licensed to do business in this state, in such an amount as such board may from time to time determine, and to pay the premiums therefor from the revolving fund of said institution.

**Sec. 2. Money appropriated for expenditure.**—Any and all moneys in the state treasury to the credit of the state insurance fund, so-called, and consisting of premiums, so-called, credited thereto under the provisions of chapter 549, Laws of 1913, as amended by chapter 99, Laws of 1915, are hereby appropriated for expenditure, as hereinafter provided.

**Sec. 3. Proceedings for adjustment of losses to state property.**—In case any buildings or property of the state shall be damaged or destroyed by fire or tornado, the state board of control shall, within thirty (30) days, ascertain and fix the amount

of such loss and damage to the state, and file with the state treasurer a statement thereof, and the amount thereof as so determined shall be transferred from the funds specified in section 2 hereof and credited to the proper fund of the officer, board or state authority in whose control said buildings or property belong, to be used solely for the rebuilding or restoring of the property damaged. Upon request of the officer or board having charge of any building or property destroyed or damaged by fire or tornado, the state board of control shall cause the same to be rebuilt or repaired, and the cost and expense thereof shall be paid from the funds so transferred to the credit of such officer or board as provided for in this section. If the loss or damage as fixed by the state board of control is not sufficient to rebuild or replace the building destroyed or damaged, the officer or board having charge of such building shall report the fact to the legislature, stating the additional amount required for that purpose.

**Sec. 4. Failure to keep property safe from fire loss non-feasance in office.**—Every state officer, board or other authority having the control of any state buildings or property shall keep the same at all times as safe from fire loss as is reasonably possible. Failure of any state officer, board or authority having control over any state property to keep the same as safe from fire loss as is reasonably possible, shall constitute non-feasance in office and shall be grounds for removal.

**Sec. 5. Certain chapters repealed.**—That chapter 549, Laws of 1913, as amended by chapter 99, Laws of 1915, and chapter 278, Laws of 1917, be and they are hereby repealed.

**Sec. 6.** This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved April 15, 1919.

#### CHAPTER 257—S. F. No. 1035.

*An act amending chapter 429, General Laws of 1917, as amended by chapter 105, General Laws of 1919, being "An act to prevent fraud in the sale and disposition of stocks, bonds or other securities sold or offered for sale within the State of Minnesota, providing for the enforcement thereof and for prosecutions and penalties for the violation thereof, and creating a state securities commission," by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 6-A, to be inserted between sections 6 and 7.*

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

**Section 1. Offering of stocks, etc., under certain conditions a misdemeanor.**—That chapter 429, General Laws of 1917, as amended by chapter 105, General Laws of 1919, be and the same hereby is amended by adding thereto a new section to be known as section 6-A, to be inserted between sections 6 and 7, as follows: